

**REMARKS**

Claims 30-53 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein.  
The specification has been amended to correct minor informalities  
Support for the new claims is found in the claims as originally filed, and throughout  
the specification. Accordingly, no new matter is added.

## CONCLUSION

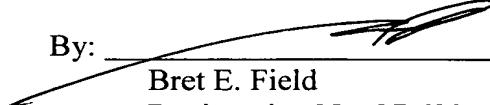
Applicants submit that all of the claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

Respectfully submitted,

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